

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1656
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METZ et al.) Examiner: Nashed, Nashaat T
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Serial No.: 10/810,352) Confirmation No.: 8617
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Filed: March 26, 2004) <u>RESPONSE TO</u>
) <u>RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND</u>
Atty. File No.: 2997-49) <u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u>
)
For: "PUFA POLYKETIDE SYNTHASE) <i>Via Electronic Filing</i>
SYSTEMS AND USES THEREOF")

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment is filed in response to the Restriction Requirement having a mailing date of August 2, 2006. Enclosed herewith is a Request for a two month extension of time, to extend the time for responding from September 2, 2006 to November 2, 2006. No additional fees are believed to be due in connection with this response, but if fees are due, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.